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Applicant and their legal representatives hereby make of record on the attached PTO Form-1449 the following publications which are known to them and considered warranting disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. Copies of each of these publications are enclosed.

Applicant states under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) that two of the publications were cited in an International Search Report issued in connection with a counterpart Patent Cooperation Treaty application No. PCT/US01/25962 not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Also enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report for the Examiner's review.

It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and that the publications be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. In this regard, it is requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the next Patent Office Communication.

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The Commissioner, however, is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary to maintain the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced application are the following documents:

- 1) Information Disclosure Statement with Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1);
- 2) Form PTO-1449, including 10 documents;
- 3) A copy of the International Search Report from PCT/US01/25962; and
- 4) Return Postcard.

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